

Appl. No. 09/548,308
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REMARKS

On November 14, 2006, Applicant filed a timely amendment in response to an office action mailed July 14, 2006. However, inadvertently, Applicant filed a listing of claims that was not consistent with the examined claims reference in the office action of July 14, 2006. A Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment was mailed by the examiner on February 8, 2007. Applicant filed a response to the Notice Non-Compliant Amendment on February 15, 2007.

A second Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment was mailed on February 28, 2007 identifying additional problems with the listing of the claims. Applicant has filed this amendment to correct the listing of the claims. Specifically, Applicant has removed the second reference to claim 24 in which claim 24 was identified as "previously presented." Applicant has also identified claim 25 as "currently amended" and not "previously presented."

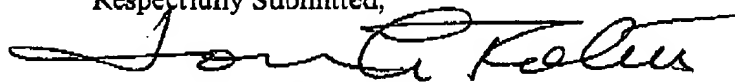
Based on the foregoing, claims 1-12, 14-20, 23, and 25-26 are pending in the application. Claims 5-10, 13, 18-20 and 26 have been allowed. Claims 1, 11, 12, 14, 23, and 25 have been amended. Claims 13 and 24 have been canceled. Claims 21 and 22 were previously canceled.

In light of the amendments and correction of the claims, Applicant requests reconsideration of the current rejections and that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

Should any further questions arise concerning this application or in the event the above amendments do not place the application in condition for allowance, Applicant respectfully requests an interview with the examiner prior to any new office action relating to the present Application. Please contact Jon L. Roberts at the number listed below.

The Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, and conversely credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 18-1579.

Respectfully Submitted,



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